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Tobacco Institute Considers Appeal

The Tobacco Institute is bitterly disappointed with today's decision. The Federal Court failed to uphold the Tobacco Institute's appeal against the controversial decision of Mr Justice Morling.

Mr Reinier Jessurun, the General Manager of the Tobacco Institute, said:

> "The Institute is determined to vindicate its position. In 1986 the Institute published an advertisement which it honestly believed to be appropriate and which expressed its opinion concerning the state of science at that time."

Mr Jessurun said:

> "Today's judgment effectively keeps the Institute out of the debate on environmental tobacco smoke and workplace smoking. The public is listening to a onesided debate."

Mr Jessurun said:

> "There are important issues at stake, namely: The restriction imposed on speech on a controversial matter by the Trade Practices Act and the role of the courts in determining scientific questions."

Mr Jessurun said:

> "The Institute has instructed its lawyers to review the judgment and to advise on the prospects of appealing to the High Court."

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